GALSTEER Committee Meeting

October 18, 2019

Attendance – Laura Burtle, Jeff Carrico, Kathy Davies, Jennifer Durham, Wendy Cornelisen, David Evans, Julius Fleschner, Sonya Gaither, Toby Graham, Deborah George (on behalf of Shannon Gibson), Lucy Harrison, Tamatha Lambert, Barbara Mann, Debra March, Natalie Marshall, Burr Osoinach, Russell Palmer, Sean Purcell, Kirsten Pylant, Robert Quarles, Barry Robinson, Jeff Steely, John Stephens, Ru Story-Huffman, Shaundra Walker, Joy Woodson

Regrets: Michael Chromey, Michelle Easley, Tony Vlachakis

Absent: Martha Powers-Jones

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ru Story-Huffman at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Wendy and seconded by Jennifer. The minutes were approved.

GALILEO Updates

- Lucy went over the four GALILEO strategic goals.
- ConsortiaManager is being implemented as we speak, with training coming soon.
- SimplyE – We are closing in on technical concerns and getting ready to pilot with several libraries in the next few months. We will see if there are any use cases for K-12 and academic libraries.
- Syndetics opt-in group license is coming.
- Updates on GALILEO awareness and marketing were provided.
- Most training has been focused on OpenAthens.
- New Georgia Encyclopedia placards have been added to EDS.
- Affordable Learning Georgia (ALG) is going well. Total cost savings are up to almost $62 million. Attendees were reminded about the ALG data center. Communications with some provosts have taken place to encourage scaling of some departmental grants.
- Attendees were encouraged to review the Digital Library of Georgia newsletter for Quarter 3.
- Lucy reviewed plans to update the GALILEO portal, including the guiding principles. An update on the GALILEO Development Advisory Committee’s work was shared and a timeline for the applications under redesign (admin backend, portal) and overviews of Phase I and Phase 2 were provided.
- John Stephens is working on data to help academic libraries answer question 45 on the ACRL survey.
OCLC
Lucy provided an update on the discussion related to the statewide OCLC subscription. After our last meeting, she approached OCLC to see if they might be willing to come down on their price or what other options might be available. OCLC is firm on their price for statewide access at $325K per year. Lucy researched and found that other states including Florida, Alabama and North Carolina also have dropped their statewide subscriptions. She has taken the topic to the International Coalition of Library Consortia. OCLC may come to their meeting in the spring in South Carolina. There was general agreement that as states drop their subscriptions to OCLC, the value for other states decreases.

OpenAthens
Russell Palmer provided an update on the OpenAthens implementation, including an overview of an “OpenAthens Glossary,” information about why we are changing to this authentication solution, and some of the advantages of OpenAthens, particularly as they relate to user data, privacy and providing school-level statistics. Russell shared an example of the OpenAthens dashboard and information on the number of GALILEO institutions live with OpenAthens by consortium. An update per consortium was provided and information about training opportunities also was shared. The Wayfinder was demonstrated.

GALILEO Annual Conference 2020
Joy Woodson led a discussion on the date, location and suggestions for a theme, topics and keynote for the 2020 conference.

Possible dates are June 18 or July 16. It will be important to consider the impact of the date on the ability of K-12 media specialists to attend.

Potential locations, including Macon and the UGA Griffin campus, were discussed. Individuals with additional ideas on the location, theme and date and attendees were encouraged to contact Joy Woodson.

Adjournment
The meeting ended at 10:25 a.m.